

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Attorney's Docket No. 233644 (2750)  
(MS#150532.1)

In re Application of:

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **System and Method for Integrating Reference Material in an Electronic Document**, the specification of which:

☒ is attached hereto.☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable) and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used by others in the United States of America before my or our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to the date of this application. I further state that the invention was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to the date of this application. *I understand that I have a duty of candor and good faith toward the Patent and Trademark Office*, and I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (a)-(d) of the foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate disclosing subject matter in common with the above-identified specification and having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Priority Claimed Under 35 USC §119</u>
			Yes _____ No _____

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

<u>(Application No.)</u>	<u>(Filing Date)</u>	<u>(Application No.)</u>	<u>(Filing Date)</u>
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the present application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<u>Application Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status: patented, pending, abandoned</u>
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I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statement were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issuing thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: The following attorneys are hereby appointed to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: **Customer Number 23594, Katie E. Sako, Reg. No. 32,628, and Daniel Crouse, Reg. No. 32,022**

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Full name of sole or first inventor: <b>Jason Weber</b>	Citizenship: <b>U.S.A.</b>
Inventor's signature _____	Date: <b>11/2/01</b>
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☒ Additional inventors are being named on separately numbered sheets attached hereto.

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Inventor's signature: [Signature] Date: 1/3/2001  
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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, **Jason Weber and Reed Vawter** hereinafter referred to as (ASSIGNORS), having post office addresses of 324 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Apt. 3, Kirkland, WA 98033 and 5405 Lakemont Blvd, Bellevue, WA 98006 respectively, are the joint inventors of an invention entitled "**System and Method for Integrating Reference Material in an Electronic Document**" as described and claimed in the specification forming part of an application for United States letters patent executed herewith;

WHEREAS, Microsoft Corporation (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Washington, having a place of business at One Microsoft Way, Redmond, WA, 98052, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

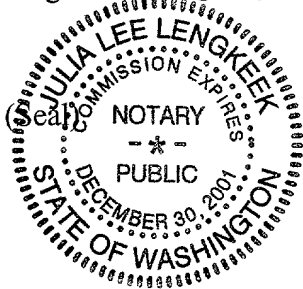
NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues and continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNORS had this assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNORS agree to execute all

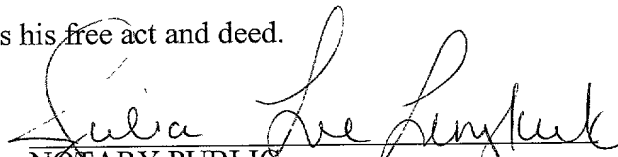
instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and foreign letters patent on said invention, for litigation regarding said letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said invention or letters patent therefor.

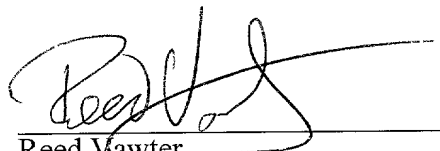
  
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Jason Weber

STATE OF WASHINGTON

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, on this 2 day of January, 2001, personally appeared Jason Weber, who being duly sworn, signed and acknowledged the foregoing Assignment as his free act and deed.

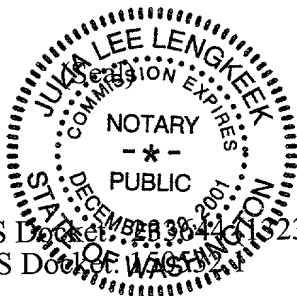


  
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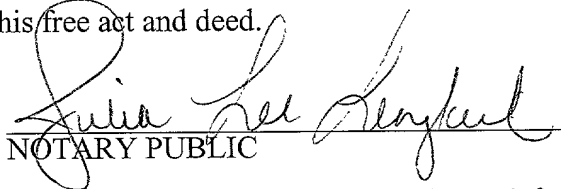
  
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Reed Vawter

STATE OF WASHINGTON

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, on this 2 day of January, 2001, personally appeared Reed Vawter, who being duly sworn, signed and acknowledged the foregoing Assignment as his free act and deed.



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